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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Katsutoshi TAJIRI et al.

Appl. No: 09/939,730

Patent No.: 7,023,805

Confirmation No: 2698

Filed: August 28, 2001

Issued: April 4, 2006

For: COMMUNICATION CONNECTING
DEVICE CAPABLE OF RELIABLY
TRANSMITTING DATA TO AN IP
NETWORK AND A DATA
TRANSMISSION CONTROL
METHOD

Art Unit: 2663

Examiner: NGO, Nguyen Hoang

Atty. Docket No: 31762-174923

Customer No:

26694

PATENT TRADEMARK OFFICE

Request for Recalculation of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. § 1.705(d)

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Arlington, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This Request for Recalculation of the Patent Term Adjustment (PTA) is being submitted in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.705(d). The above-identified patent issued on April 4, 2006, indicating that the PTA is 851 days. The Applicant disagrees with this determination and believes the correct determination should be 894 days.

Please charge our deposit account number 22-0261 for the \$200 petition fee. It is not believed that any further fees are due, but in the event that such fees are necessary, the Office is authorized to charge our deposit account number 22-0261.

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Procedural History

To assist the Commissioner in understanding the procedural history, a copy of Office's PTA History for this case as obtained from the Office's Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system is attached.

Applicants filed an Amendment on July 6, 2005, the Remarks section including a request for acknowledgement of the Information Disclosure Statement filed August 2001. In response to the Amendment, Applicants received a Notice of Allowance mailed September 16, 2005, but the Notice of Allowance did not include acknowledgement of the Information Disclosure Statement. Therefore, Applicants filed a formal Request for Acknowledgment on December 1, 2005, along with payment of the Issue Fee. A copy of this Request is attached.

The Patent Term Adjustment History for the present case indicates that Applicants were charged a 43-day delay for an Information Disclosure Statement submitted on December 1, 2005. Applicants respectfully submit this is Office error. No Information Disclosure Statement was filed on December 1, 2005; in fact, Applicants' filed a Request for Acknowledgment of an Information Disclosure Statement. The Office is directed to the electronic file wrapper, which evidences that the December 1, 2005 filing entitled "Information Disclosure Statement" is indeed a Request for Acknowledgment. The imaged Request for Acknowledgement includes the Office's date-stamped receipt.

Applicants further submit that the December 1, 2005 filing cannot be considered a failure to engage in reasonable efforts to advance prosecution. Applicants initially requested acknowledgment of the Information Disclosure Statement in the Amendment filed on July 6, 2005, prior to the Notice of Allowance. The failure of the Examiner to make this

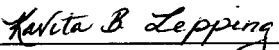
acknowledgment necessitated the Request filed on December 1, 2005.

Summary

Applicants respectfully submits that the reduction of PTA is due to an error in calculation by the Office. The Office erroneously deducted 43 days from the patent term. Applicants submit that they are entitled to a restoration of these 43 days, for a total patent term of 894 days. Thus, recalculation and correction of the PTA are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: May 10, 2006



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AN IP NETWORK AND A DATA TRANSMISSION CONTROL METHOD

Patent Term Adjustment History

Patent Term Adjustment (PTA) for Application Number: 09/939,730			
			Days
Filing or 371(c) Date:	08-28-2001	USPTO Delay (PTO):	894
Issue Date of Patent:	04-04-2006	Three Years:	-
Pre-Issue Petitions (days):	+0	Applicant Delay(APPL):	43
Post-Issue Petitions (days):	+0	Total PTA:	851
USPTO Adjustment(days):	+0	Explanation Of Calculations	
Patent Term Adjustment History			
Date	Contents Description	PTO(Days)	APPL (Days)
04-04-2006	Patent Issue Date Used in PTA Calculation	3	
03-15-2006	PTA 36 Months	↑	
03-03-2006	Dispatch to FDC	↑	
02-07-2006	Workflow - Query Request - Finish	↑	
01-12-2006	Mail Examiner's Amendment	↑	
01-09-2006	Examiner's Amendment Communication	↑	
01-03-2006	Pubs Case Remand to TC	↑	
12-29-2005	Workflow - Query Request - Begin	↑	
12-07-2005	Application Is Considered Ready for Issue	↑	
12-01-2005	Information Disclosure Statement considered	↑	
12-01-2005	Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) Filed	↑	43
12-01-2005	Issue Fee Payment Verified	↑	
12-01-2005	Issue Fee Payment Received	↑	
09-16-2005	Mail Notice of Allowance	↑	
09-16-2005	Mail Examiner's Amendment	↑	
09-15-2005	Notice of Allowance Data Verification Completed	↑	
09-15-2005	Case Docketed to Examiner in GAU	↑	
09-15-2005	Examiner's Amendment Communication	↑	
07-12-2005	Date Forwarded to Examiner	↑	
07-06-2005	Response after Non-Final Action	↑	
04-06-2005	Mail Non-Final Rejection	891	
04-04-2005	Non-Final Rejection	↑	
03-09-2005	Case Docketed to Examiner in GAU	↑	
01-26-2005	Case Docketed to Examiner in GAU	↑	
01-25-2005	Case Docketed to Examiner in GAU	↑	
09-13-2004	IFW TSS Processing by Tech Center Complete	↑	
01-06-2004	Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) Filed	↑	
03-11-2002	Case Docketed to Examiner in GAU	↑	
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*This is a request for
acknowledgment, NOT a
IDS*

12-14-2001	Case Docketed to Examiner in GAU		
11-28-2001	Application Dispatched from OIPE	↑	
11-27-2001	Application Is Now Complete	↑	
11-13-2001	Oath or Declaration Filed (Including Supplemental)	↑	
09-28-2001	Notice Mailed--Application Incomplete-- Filing Date Assigned	↑	
09-28-2001	Correspondence Address Change	↑	
09-27-2001	Correspondence Address Change	↑	
09-05-2001	IFW Scan & PACR Auto Security Review	↑	
08-28-2001	Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) Filed	↑	
08-28-2001	Request for Foreign Priority (Priority Papers May Be Included)	↑	
08-28-2001	Initial Exam Team nn	↑	

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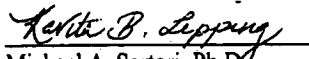
Sir:

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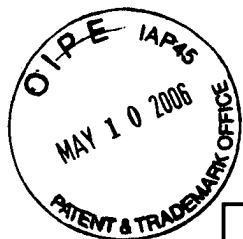
This paper is being concurrently filed with the Issue Fee Payment.

Respectfully submitted,

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		Application Number	09/939,730	
		Filing Date	August 28, 2001	
		First Named Inventor	Katsutoshi TAJIRI	
		Examiner Name	Nguyen Hoang Ngo	
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27	Art Unit	2663		
TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT	(\$)	200	Attorney Docket No.	31762-174923

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FEE CALCULATION (All the fees below are due upon filing or may be subject to a surcharge.)**1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES**

Application Type	Fee (\$)	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
		Small Entity	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100		
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65		
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80		
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300		
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0		

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	Multiple Dependent Claims
_____ - 20 or HP	_____ x _____	= _____		Fee (\$) Fee Paid (\$)

HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20.

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